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**RESPONSE** 

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

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## Fees are attached as calculated below: Total offactive claims offer a

| Total effective claims after amendment $0$ minus highest number previously paid for $20$ (at least $20$ ) = $0$ x \$ 18.00   |            | \$  | 0.00   |
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| Independent claims after amendment 0 minus highest number  |            |     |        |
| previously paid for $3$ (at least 3) = 0 x \$ 84.00  |            | \$  | 0.00   |
| If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore imprope   | r) :       | \$  | 0.00   |
| Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months)                             |            | \$  | 920.00 |
| Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00  | ;          | \$  | 0.00   |
| First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00)  Please enter the previously unentered , filed Submission attached  | ;          | \$  | 0.00   |
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| If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract  Applicant claims "small entity" status.  Statement filed herewith   | -          | -\$ | 0.00   |
| Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00)   | 5          | \$  | 180.00 |
| Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)   |            | \$  | 0.00   |
| Other: Copy of Pending Claims from applicants' co-pending application SN 09/629,437; Declaration Under Rule 132 from SN 09/629,437; Figures1-25 from SN 09/629,437; PTO-1449 Form; Three listed References |            |     | 0.00   |

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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